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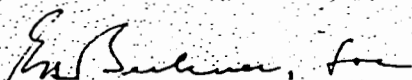
SUBJECT: Health and Safety Reviews at Department of Energy Weapons Laboratories

TO: Manager, Albuquerque Operations Office
Manager, Oakland Operations Office
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The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) staff recently proposed to hold a meeting at each of the Department of Energy (DOE) Weapons Laboratories to hear views on how best to create and maintain a safety environment for Research and Development (R&D). A proposed draft agenda provided by the DNFSB staff is attached for your information.

I endorse this DNFSB initiative and request your support. Please identify a principal point of contact to Richard Crowe, of my staff, to coordinate an acceptable review schedule and agenda. While the intent of this review is to obtain different perspectives and possible alternate approaches to operations in an R&D environment, existing plans and commitments under DOE Orders or DNFSB Recommendations must be maintained.

If you have any questions or need additional information on this, please have your staff contact Richard Crowe at 301-903-6214.



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Attachment

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